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Elba Council balks but then passes budget for coming fiscal year

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council approved an operating budget for 2003-2004 Monday evening, but not without discussion and an effort to postpone approval until the next meeting.

When District 4 Councilman Harold Spicer suggested waiting until the next regular meeting and holding a work session prior to that to discuss the budget, Mayor Grimes noted a budget must be in place before October 1st.

District 3 Councilman Junior Culver questioned the police chief on the rising cost of the department and constant need for new cars. He also expressed concern over an increase in the recreation budget.

District 5 Councilman Ronnie Hammond expressed a desire to put additional money into street paving. He noted there are a lot of city streets which need work.

Grimes commented that \$3,000,000 would probably not be enough to do all the necessary paving in Elba.

Several councilmen questioned the cut in the budget for the fire department and were told it was in line with actual expenditures for the past couple of years.

Firemen are paid on a per-call basis, and if the number of fires are down, the operating costs are down.

When the budget was passed as presented to the council at the last meeting, they agreed to a work session on Monday, September 29th, to go over the budget. Any recommended changes in the budget will be made at the next regular meeting (October 13th).

The council accepted the written recommendation of Library Board Chairman Jimmy Harrison and appointed Barbara Tillis and Kathy Hathcock to the Elba Library Board. They replace resigning members Charlotte Clark and Kate Murphree.

The council also reappointed Water and Electric Board member Mickey Murdock to another five year term.

Board Chairman Tim Johnson's term is also up and Mayor Grimes said he has asked not to be reappointed. The council will make this replacement at a later date.

Reviewing the financial statement Grimes noted that a glitch in computer software was the cause of a delay in sales tax receipts this month. However the collected money will be forthcoming soon.

James Williams addressed the council on his plans to reestablish an AA chapter in Elba. Williams noted he is a recently released state prisoner and had become active in the organization while in prison. He said he wanted the council to be aware of his efforts and welcomed any suggestions on a place to meet and any other suggestions they might have.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth reported that some of the recent house fires appear to be arson cases. He said the department is actively investigating these fires and hoped to solve the crimes in the near future.

During New Brockton Town Council meeting

Boyd Hartzog sworn in as new police chief

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council confirmed the appointment of the town's new chief of police Monday evening, Sept. 22, at the regular monthly meeting.

New Brockton mayor Charles Cole put an end to the search for a new police chief Monday, Sept. 8, when he appointed Boyd Hartzog as the new police chief, and Monday evening he asked the town council to confirm its support by approving a motion agreeing to accept his recommendation.

With that request, the council voted unanimously to accept the mayor's recommendation to appoint Hartzog as chief of police for the Town of New Brockton.

Immediately following the council's vote, a swearing in ceremony was held with 12th Judicial Circuit Judge Steve Blair presenting the oath of office to Hartzog.

Chief Hartzog is a law enforcement veteran with more than 30 years of experience with the Alabama State Troopers office. He also served nearly 30 years with the Alabama National Guard.

Cole said he is proud of the town's decision to appoint Hartzog as chief of police, and he feels this will be a good partnership for the town.

recognition to Mayor Cole Monday evening when it passed a resolution supporting him as a recipient of the Lawrence Deramus Award for 2003.

Councilman Johnny Herron read the resolution aloud and said Cole was chosen as recipient of this award because of his years of work in the community including serving as the first African American mayor in Coffee County, serving as principal of New Brockton Elementary School for 19 years, serving as a basketball coach in New Brockton, leading his team to a state championship and being named basketball's coach of the year for the state all during his tenure as an educator. Herron noted that Cole serves as a full-time mayor for New Brockton although it is not listed as a full-time job.

Herron also mentioned the mayor's countless contributions to the community in helping those less fortunate in which one lady aided by Cole said she received more help from the people of New Brockton in one week than she had ever received anywhere else.

Frank Stewart addressed the council in regards to garbage collection. Stewart said the council recently called about attaining water service for some property he owns in town but did not realize garbage service comes with it. He said he does not live on the property and does not

have a need for garbage collection; therefore, he asked the council to waive the garbage fee and only charge him for water service.

Council member Ron McMonagle said he feels the town's ordinance to require payment for both garbage and water only pertains to property with a residence. However, he said the council members will need to research to find the exact language of the ordinance to see if there is a way to avoid charging Mr. Stewart for garbage collection.

The council voted to table this discussion until the next meeting.

The council discussed the ongoing fund raising efforts, and Herron said he feels the town has been successful thus far.

"I have been amazed by the way the people have supported the council and town," McMonagle said. "The citizens pulled together when we needed it." He updated those in attendance on a couple of grant projects progressing because of this support, and Mayor Cole said the

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Elba Chamber of Commerce banquet set for Thursday, Sept. 25 (Tonight)

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet on the evening of Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003. The Elba Recreation Center, located on Claxton Ave., will be the location for the banquet which will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Once again this year the chamber will feature some of Elba's restaurants and other food vendors with the theme "Celebrate Elba with a Taste of Elba". These merchants will be showcasing their specialties for the evening meal, and there will be 15 vendors participating in the event.

Elba's 150th birthday celebration will be continued during the banquet as old Elba memorabilia will be on display, the king and queen of the sesquicentennial celebration will be introduced and a short history of Elba will be told by a favorite historian.

An awards ceremony will take place to honor some of those who have been willing to serve during the year to help make Elba the best place in Alabama to be, and a very special guest will entertain.



ENJOYING FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL...Football fans of all ages were at Tiger Stadium in Elba last Friday night, Sept. 19, for the Elba vs. Pike County football game. Although the game did not end in favor of the hometown team, the fans were given plenty to cheer about from the football teams, cheerleaders and bands. Some of the younger fans even found ways to entertain themselves. Above, Caitlin Bradshaw, age 5, enjoys a hamburger at the game while her cousin, Millicent Nolin, age 4, dances to the sound of the music being played by the Elba Marching Tiger Band. Caitlin, the daughter of Andy and Renee Bradshaw, is a kindergarten student at Elba Elementary School, and Millicent is the daughter of Kenneth and Tracie Nolin. Fans of all local schools are encouraged to attend the games each and every week and show their appreciation for the players, cheerleaders and band members.

County commission awards several annual bids

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The awarding of several annual bids showcased the regular bimonthly meeting of the Coffee County Commission Monday, Sept. 22, as it took a good deal of time to open and review the bids.

In regards to asphalt, the commission received bids on Emulsified Asphalt (CRS-2 with Latex Rubber Additive), Emulsified Asphalt (CRS-2) and

MC-70 (Prime). Each was looked at separately with only three companies provided a bid for the products, Hunt Refining Company of Tuscaloosa, Ala. and Ergon, Inc. of Mulga, Ala. sent a bid for all three products while Coastal Fuels Marketing, Inc. of Pensacola, Fla. provided a bid only for MC-70 Prime.

Based on a recommendation by county engineer Randy Tindell, the commission voted unanimously to award the primary bid for CRS-2 with Latex Rubber Additive to Ergon, Inc. at \$619 with a secondary bid awarded to Hunt Refining at \$943. The primary bid for CRS-2 went to Ergon, Inc. at \$719 with the secondary bid going to Hunt Refining at \$128. As for MC-70 Prime, the primary bid was awarded to Hunt Refining at \$7. The primary bid for Class 1 Rip-Rap delivered and Class II Rip-Rap delivered went to Southeast Materials of Birmingham at \$17.49 each.

The commission also voted to give each company the alternate secondary bid award on the items in which they did not get the primary bid.

The bid for steel pipe went to Hanson Pipe and Products of Birmingham at a BCCM percentage discount of 60.2 percent. The alternate bid went to Gulf Atlantic Culvert, Inc. of Tallahassee, Fla. at 60 percent.

The bids for lime and fertilizer both went to the Coffee County Co-Op in Elba. This company was the only one to submit a bid for lime and fertilizer.

As for herbicides, the commission voted to award the bid for Round-up Pro to Nutril Chem West, Inc. of Conyers, Ga. at

Tindell asked for the secondary bid awarding to cover any emergency situation that might come up when the primary company can not deliver the material to the county in time.

In regards to crushed stone, the county awarded bids for #78, #5, #6, Class I Rip-Rap and Class II Rip-Rap. There were two options for the crushed stone - delivered and county pick up.

Two companies supplied bids for the crushed stone and Martin-Marietta Aggregates of Birmingham received the low bid primary award on #78 delivered at \$15.25, #5 delivered at \$15, #6 delivered at \$15, #78 picked up at \$5.75, #5 picked up at \$5.50, #6 picked up at \$5.50, Class I Rip-Rap picked up \$7 and Class II Rip-Rap picked up \$7. The primary bid for Class I Rip-Rap delivered and Class II Rip-Rap delivered went to Southeast Materials of Birmingham at \$17.49 each.

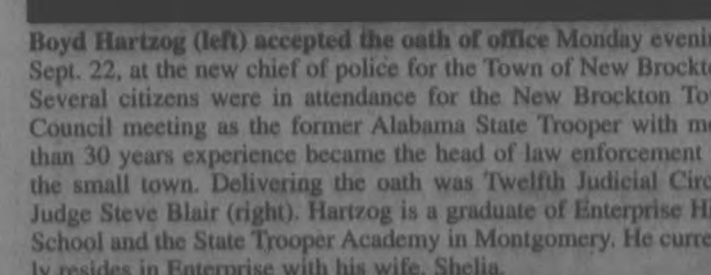
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Boyd Hartzog (left) accepted the oath of office Monday evening, Sept. 22, at the new chief of police for the Town of New Brockton. Several citizens were in attendance for the New Brockton Town Council meeting as the former Alabama State Trooper with more than 30 years experience became the head of law enforcement for the small town. Delivering the oath was Twelfth Judicial Circuit Judge Steve Blair (right). Hartzog is a graduate of Enterprise High School and the State Trooper Academy in Montgomery. He currently resides in Enterprise with his wife, Sheila.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Last week we commented about admiring teens making records on the football field, but were not particularly thrilled when those records were made against the home team. Well it has happened again! Chris Nickson of Pike County completed 8 of 10 passes for 210 yards and four touchdowns in a 35-0 victory over Elba. Two other record setters were in our area, but not directly in the trade area . . . Larry Hudson of Red Level ran for two touchdowns - one a 70-yarder, kicked three extra points, scored on a two-point conversion and recorded 11 tackles on defense in a 28-0 win over Samson. THEN . . . Willie Sudthitt of Charles Henderson made a touchdown-saving tackle on a kickoff return, forced a fumble that set up his team's only TD, and blocked a field goal in a 10-0 triumph over Greenville.

It is business as usual when Americans openly debate a multitude of issues. In fact thousands of people make a living in American courts just sorting out what is the "law of the land." Then the losers spend weeks bemoaning the loss of freedoms brought on by the court decisions. That is what made it so fitting recently when one of the late night talk show hosts, Jay Leno, reportedly said, "As you may have heard, the U.S. is putting together a constitution for Iraq. Why don't we just give them ours? Think about it - it was written by very smart people, it's served us well for over two hundred years, and besides, we're not using it anymore."

The Alabama legislature is in special session passing budgets for the coming year. Cuts are in order . . . and expected in the wake of Amendment #1 being turned down by the voters earlier this month. Once each department knows its reduced budgets, cuts are the next step in the process. We hope they start at the top and not just with those who actually do the work.

*The state education department can cut the big staff in Montgomery 1-4-6-8-10 Then there would be a bit more money for the classrooms.

*The state troopers can cut some supervisors, or better still put these certified officers back to patrolling the highways - they admit to having fewer troopers on the road, so therefore they need fewer people pushing pennies. Best would be to put all supervisors on the roads for a set amount of hours every week.

*Prison supervisors could (should) also regularly spend some time walking around doing the work of the "bills." It would keep them more in touch with what is actually happening in the cell blocks and thus they would be better supervisors.

*The governor could set an example by cutting his support staff by more than he is asking each department to do.

*The legislature could make some cuts in their operating budget - there are a number of directions this could go in and be successful. Setting an example is great and it would save tax money.

We reported in this newspaper last week that the Elba High School Marching Band would be performing at the Troy State game on Saturday. Well it didn't happen. A bunch of high school bands put on a great show, but Elba's students can't say, "We were part of that." The story heard in this corner is that they couldn't get enough bus drivers to ferry the four needed school busses from Elba to Troy on Saturday. It is a shame that things have gotten that bad in Hogs Bottom. Sorry for that Elba High band members. You deserve better support than that.

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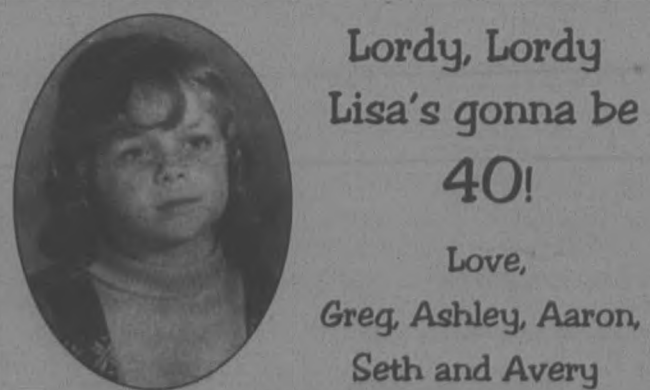
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GETTING INVOLVED WITH RELAY FOR LIFE... Jean Donaldson (left) addressed the New Brockton Town Council Monday evening, Sept. 22, and asked for the town's support with this year's Relay for Life event. Donaldson said she leads a team each year and wanted to join forces this year with the Town of New Brockton for the worthwhile event. Donaldson asked for the council's permission to place jugs around town requesting spare change donations from residents. After all, she said pennies do add up. Above: New Brockton mayor Charles Cole places the first dollar in one of the jugs.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Sept. 15, 2003, investigated the following incidents: one cat scratch, four for theft of property, three for burglary, three for criminal mischief, one missing person, one unlawful possession of a controlled substance, one unauthorized use, one receiving stolen property and one search warrant. The following arrests were made: two for possession of a controlled substance, three for possession of marijuana, three for possession of drug paraphernalia, one manufacture of methamphetamine, one failure to appear and one unlawful possession of a firearm.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: four for not wearing a seat belt, one for driving with a suspended driver's license, two for no insurance, one for driving with no driver's license, one for running a stop sign, and one for driving with no driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:
MONDAY, SEPT. 15 - Domestic disturbance reported at 5:09 Taylor Mill Rd. (1:33 a.m.); River stage - 5.46 feet (6:15 a.m.); Disturbance (loud music) reported on Jones St.

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• ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon-First First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
• ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Monday 6 p.m.-City Hall
• WATER & ELECTRIC - Tuesday following 2nd Monday 6 p.m. - City Hall
• ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
• GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - every Monday 6:30 p.m. Elba United Methodist Church-enters on side on W. Davis St. Maggie Garrett Classroom
• COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
• LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center
• ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. - Supv. Office
• AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Tuesday of every month 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
• MASONIC LODGE 176 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School
• VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8:12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5838
• COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House
• COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise
• ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 2nd Thursday at noon, Driscoll Hanger at the Airport
• AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month
• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 1st & 3rd Monday 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room
• NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Rep. Terry Spicer introduces bill during special session

As members of the Alabama House of Representatives convened in Special Session, Representative Terry Spicer, D-Elba, introduced a bill that will expand health care coverage for qualified displaced workers.

House Bill 33, co-sponsored by Representative Spicer, will expand the Alabama Health Insurance Plan to include health insurance coverage for individuals who are eligible based on criteria set forth in the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reform Act of 2002.

"Unfortunately, the closure of several textile related plants in the Wiregrass, and across the state, have left numerous Alabamians unemployed and without health insurance," states Representative Spicer. "This bill will allow those who are unemployed to have 65% of their Health Care Insurance Premium paid by the federal government."

The legislation, which enhances the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reform Act of 2002, will benefit those who have lost their jobs due to changes in the economy and variations in foreign trade by allowing them to participate in the federal program. "This is a revenue generating bill," states Spicer. "At a time when our state is facing a devastating budget crisis, it is important that this effort not only protects but will also put money back in the hands of the people."

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Obituaries

TULLIS FRANKLIN KELLEY

Mr. Tullis Franklin Kelley, age 77, of Elba, Ala., died Sept. 20, 2003, at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Sept. 21, 2003, at Zion Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Jimmy Maddox officiating. Burial followed in the Zion Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include his wife

Erlene Kelley, Elba; two sons and daughters-in-law: Jeff and Pennie Kelley, Elba; Dennis and Roberta Kelley, Smiths, Ala.; one brother, Donald Kelley, Troy, Ala.; two grandsons, one granddaughter, and one great-grandson.

JOSEPHINE GREEN

Mrs. Josephine Green, age 84, of the New Hope Community, died Sept. 21, 2003, at her residence.

Funeral services were held

Sept. 23, 2003, at Rocky Head Baptist Church with Rev. Ray Simson officiating. Burial followed in the Rocky Head Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include her husband, Roy J. Green, New Hope Community; one brother, James Baker, and wife Brenda, Troy, Ala.; one sister, Betty Farmer, and husband Leroy, Alva, Ariz.; plus several nieces and nephews.

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\$19.25. MSMA to the Goffee County Co-Op of Enterprise at \$12.75. Garlon 3A to NaturChem at \$57. OUST to DeAngelo Bros. Inc. of Athens, Ga. at \$152.40. 241D to DeAngelo Bros. at \$9.40. Rodes to NaturChem at \$67. All of these represented the low bids except the MSMA bid in which the three percent advantage for a local company allowed the commission to award the bid to the Enterprise Co-Op instead of the low bidder - DeAngelo Bros. at \$12.50.

Another bid awarded by the commission at its meeting Monday was for the cleaning of the Enterprise Courthouse. This bid opportunity received a response from X-TRA Clean and Creek Services.

X-TRA Clean submitted a bid for \$3,886.91 and Creek Services submitted a bid for \$28,392 for the year.

Upon the recommendation of county attorney, the commission voted to accept the bid from X-TRA Clean as the low bid providing it is a responsive bid. If it is not a responsive bid, the commission will award the bid to Creek Services.

Jeanne Sigler, a representative of the Wiregrass United Way Food Bank, addressed the commission during Monday's meeting, and she asked the commission to pass a proclamation proclaiming the month of October as World Hunger Month in Coffee County. Also, Sigler presented the commission with an orange ribbon to display during the month as a symbol of this occasion.

James Williams spoke to the commission and asked for its support in implementing an AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) chapter in Elba and New Brockton.

Williams said currently people involved with an AA chapter are having to drive to the other side of Enterprise to participate. He said the phone directory indicates telephone numbers for AA chapters in Elba and New Brockton, but he found those chapters not in existence.

"I am asking for the support of the commission to implement chapters in Elba and New Brockton," Williams said. "This is greatly needed for people who have to travel from as far as Elba and Kinross."

He told commissioners he was not at Monday's meeting to ask for any funding. Instead, he said he felt it was simply a step he should take to help other individuals.

Williams said he was scheduled to also appear before the Elba City Council later that evening to ask for their support.

Commissioner Jim Thompson asked chairman Robert Stephens to meet with the mayors of Elba and New Brockton within the next few weeks to see how the county commission can help Mr. Williams with implementing this program.

In other business, the commission approved a motion to up the pay of the county's mapping appraiser by \$5,000. Stephens said county revenue commissioner Ronnie Burns asked that the employee receive a \$10,000 increase in pay after becoming certified as a mapping appraiser. She received \$5,000 of that increase last year and was asking for the other \$5,000 this year. Stephens said the money was not in the budget submitted by Burns for FY2004. It was noted that the employee will not receive the countywide 2-step pay increase that other employees will receive through the passage of the FY2004 budget. This motion did not pass by a unanimous vote as commissioners Thompson and Doug Dalrymple voted against it.

Approved a motion made by commissioner Dalrymple for the county to pay employees all that is owed to them at the time they leave the job for other employment. With this motion, when an employee finishes providing his/her service to the county he/she will be paid anything owed at that point rather than being allowed to remain on the county's payroll until the completion is used up.

Approved a landfill credit application for Dewey Milton Homes.

The next meeting of the Coffee County Commission will be Monday, Oct. 13, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

Miss New Brockton Haley Wise and Little Miss New Brockton Kaley Moore attended Monday evening's New Brockton Town Council meeting and presented Mayor Charles Cole and council members Johnnie Herron, Vickie Harrison, Jody Stuckey and Ron McMonagle with pins they created representing the Town of New Brockton. The girls will represent the town at the National Peanut Festival in October.

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• Plain 'n' Fancy Gift Shop (347-4438)
Elba - The Jewel Box (897-2296)
Enterprise - 17th Soldier Service Center (235-2997)
Dothan - Northwest's On Main (793-9338)

TOWN

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town submitted an application for a grant for the Jr. Food Store just this week.

In other business, the council passed a proclamation declaring Monday, Oct. 6, as Child Health Day in New Brockton.

Approved a Dangerous Building Ordinance, as well as, an ordinance establishing a municipal housing code abatement board.

Approved a motion to accept

the bid from D. Horstead in the amount of \$500 to purchase a 1994 Chevrolet Caprice from the town. This car was once used as a police car.

* Decided to discuss at the next working session the possibility of temporarily changing the date of the monthly council meetings from the first Monday of each month.

* Approved an operating budget for FY2004. The council will

more than likely approve a corrected budget at a later meeting. The temporary budget is approximately \$7,500 higher than last year's budget. The next meeting for the New Brockton Town Council will be Monday, Oct. 20, at 7 p.m. at the New Brockton Town Hall.

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The Brady's from Columbia, Ala., will be in concert at Samson First Assembly of God on Sat., September 27 at 7p.m.

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THE BRADY'S WILL BE IN CONCERT AT MT. OLIV BAPTIST CHURCH in the Pine Level Community, Elba on October 5, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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to attend.

Evergreen Cemetery is conducting its annual fund raising drive. Evergreen Cemetery is a perpetual care cemetery and the funds will be used for upkeep and maintenance of the cemetery grounds. Please send your tax deductible donation to: Evergreen Cemetery, c/o City Elba, 200 Buford St., Elba, AL 36323.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Bro. Joe Farris, Pastor
Sun. Sch. 9:00 a.m. D. 4:45 p.m.

Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Sam Totten, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. J. M. Copes, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. David Smith
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Martha Baxter
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
E. H. Hill, Minister
Morn. Worship... 12:00 noon
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor: Don Granheim
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training... 6:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH
Bernard Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Tim Gunnalls, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Rev. Tom Howard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Evangelistic Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
J. E. Wesley, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Evening... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNAACLE
Allen Edwards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA IN ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Pastor: Rev. Ray Davis
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELMA BAPTIST CHURCH
Pattar, Rev. Roger Miller
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELMA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor: John L. Baxter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lavelle Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH
Ralph Medley Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

14th ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Andy Mueller, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATHER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Willie L. Peterson, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COLOSSEUM
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Edwin L. Baxter, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH
Rick Hayes, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Bro. Ashley Faulk-Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON IN BAPTIST CHURCH
Bro. David Dunn, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Training Union... 3:00 p.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Ron & Mary Simons, Pastors
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 1:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Haney, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LOVES WAY CHURCH
David Chen & Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sunday... 11:00 a.m.

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Fred Fowler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Fred Fry, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

MT. Zion BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Hubert McWeaters, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Ray Layton, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

MULBERRY HTS CHURCH OF CHRIST
B. H. Williams, Minister
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION
Mary Seay
Sunday Morn. Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service... 5:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.
Heron & Linda Williams, Pastors
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Even. Service... 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTER PRISE
K. L. Ellison, Pastor
Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Tues. Evening... 7:00 p.m.
Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

NEWBRIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Wayne Webber
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Ben McKee, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Ed Smith, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Dwaine Daniels - Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sun. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Rev. Steve Minster
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Jerry Long, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

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MacArthur Campus will offer a
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Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. until
9:00 p.m. Classes will be held
in the Raymond V. Chisum
Health Sciences Building
Commons Area. The class will
begin on Tuesday, October 7,
2003 and end on Tuesday

Gourd Crafting provides instruction for beginners and experienced painters. Students will complete three basic projects during the course. Projects to be completed include Halloween - Jack 'O Lantern, Christmas - Santa, and Birdhouse. At the conclusion of the course, students should be able to properly prepare a project to be painted, select proper tools and materials, and use appropriate brush strokes.

The cost of the course is \$55.00. In addition, students will need to purchase various supplies needed for the course. Students will be given a basic supply list at the time of registration. Students will be responsible for purchasing basic supplies such as paper towels, tracing paper, etc. on their own. Specific paints, brushes, and glazes needed for the project may be purchased from the instructor at the first class meeting.

paints and brushes should bring them to the first class meeting. Students who do not have their own paints and brushes may purchase them from the instructor at the first class meeting. If students have some of the paints and brushes, the cost could be as low as \$30.00. If students need to purchase everything, the cost could be as much as \$60.00.

Space is limited. Anyone interested in this course should register before Tuesday, October 7, 2003. For more information or to register, contact Susan D. at (334) 493-3573, ext. 260.

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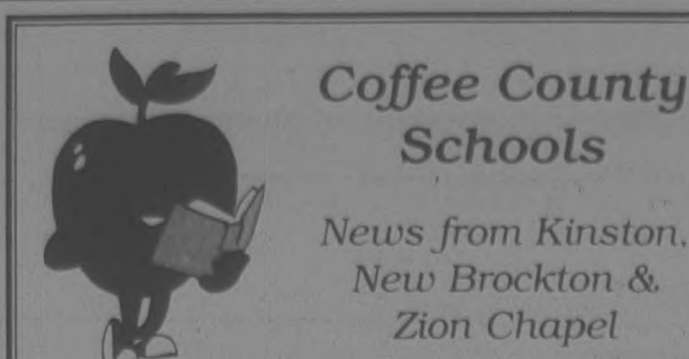
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***A FREE Literacy Volunteer Training Workshop at Enterprise-Ozark Community College teaches volunteers how to tutor adult non-readers and low-level learners. The psychology of the adult learner, the use of Leubach reading materials, and other methods for teaching adults will be examined. There is NO CHARGE for this workshop. To find out more call 334-2623, ext. 2206.



Coffee County Schools
News from Kinston,
New Brockton &
Zion Chapel

The Estrada Review

by Amanda Estrada

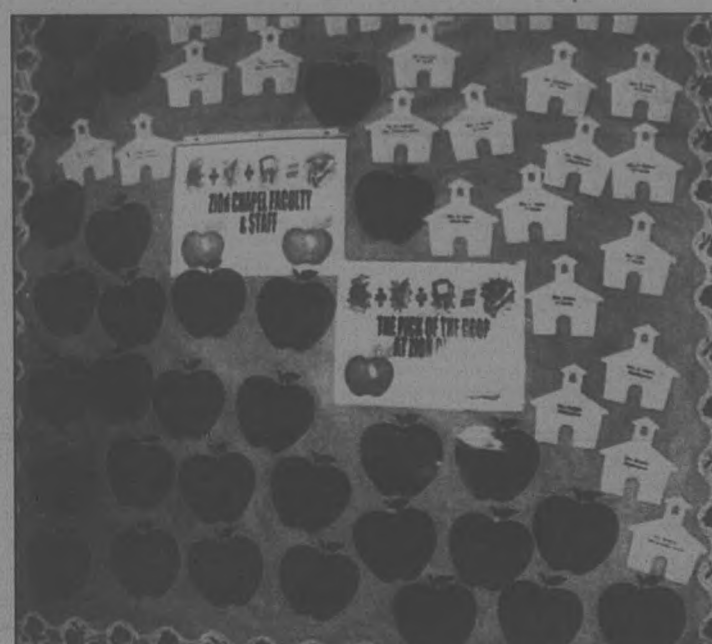
Book Review of *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*

Four best friends, one summer, four different adventures, one pair of worn-out, thrift store jeans. This book follows the lives of four girls as they spend their first summer apart. The girls, each with a different build and personality, go off and have a unique adventure with one thing in common — the pants.

The pants are magical. No matter which of the girls tried on the pants, they seemed to fit perfectly. Whether it was the short, saucy, Latina, Carmen, the quiet, gracefully built, Lena, the loud, athletic Bridget, or the long-legged pessimist Tibby, the pants seemed to make for each of them. They discovered these magical pants the day before they were set to go on separate summer adventures.

This is how the Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants was created. They set down rules about the pants, such as what you could and could not do in them. They decided who would get the pants first and how long each person would have them. All summer the pants made their rounds all over the world. They followed Lena to Greece, where she visited her grandparents and was involved in a skinny dipping scandal, to Libby, who made a new friend with a horrible sentence named Bailey, to Bridget who was finding love at soccer camp in Baja California, and then to Carmen, who was not spending the summer with her dad to herself as she had expected, but with a whole new family.

This was a wonderful tale of friendship, love, and magic. It will leave you with a deep desire to go out and have your own traveling pants adventure.



HEAD OF THE CLASS... The faculty and staff of Zion Chapel Schools is represented here with this bulletin board. The teacher represents the teachers at the high school and the schools represent the elementary teachers. Leading the faculty this year are principal Jerry Barnes and assistant principal Bob Hartwell.

New Brockton FFA prepares for good year

by Sonya Hornsby

The New Brockton High School FFA Chapter has done an outstanding job over this semester. The students attended the 74th Alabama State FFA Convention held in Montgomery in June, and the Livestock Career Development Event Team placed first in competition.

Members of this award-winning team are Chelsey Hollis, Mark Windham, Drew Donaldson, and Layton Griffin. They will represent Alabama in the National Livestock Career Development Event in Louisville, Kentucky.

Chelsey Hollis had the overall top individual score in the contest.

The New Brockton FFA Chapter was also recognized as a state top five chapter in the



The New Brockton FFA Chapter recently received a donation from Nathan Drewery on behalf of the WIX Filter Corporation.

National Chapter Award program. Other accomplishments over the summer include John Sawyer being selected as the South District FFA Secretary for 2003-2004.

The New Brockton FFA Chapter would like to thank Mr. And Mrs. Nathan Drewery and Blake for their support. They presented the New Brockton FFA with a check from the WIX Filter Corporation.

Short time remaining in 2003 PACT enrollment period

State Treasurer Kay Ivey reminded Alabama parents and grandparents today they still have two weeks left to enroll a child in Alabama's Prepaid Affordable College Tuition (PACT) Program. Enrollment for 2003 ends September 30. The PACT Program gives parents and grandparents of infants through ninth graders the ability to purchase a contract for the pre-payment of 135 semester hours of tuition and 8 semesters of mandatory fee payments at any Alabama public college or university. The price of the contract is based on the age/grade of the child. The younger the child, the lower the price.

"PACT is based on a simple concept: pay for the child's tuition," stated Treasurer Ivey. "With college tuition skyrocketing, parents and grandparents can find no better bargain than PACT to save for a child's future college education."

Ivey noted that 135 semester hours of tuition and 8 semesters of fees at Alabama's public colleges cost a student today about \$16,000. Ivey further explained that parents may purchase a PACT contract for an infant child today for a lump-sum fee of \$15,528 compared to the projected cost of tuition and fees in 2021 of \$74,097.

The PACT Program features flexible payment options, the use of benefits at private or out-of-state institutions, tax advantages, and the ability to transfer benefits to another member of the family. PACT benefits can even be used in conjunction with scholarships. "The price of the contracts go up each year, so I encourage families to buy PACT for their children today, impact their tomorrow, and enjoy peace of mind," stated Ivey.

To obtain a 2003 PACT application, contact the PACT office at 800-252-7228 or 334-242-7514, or visit the Treasurer's website www.treasury.state.al.us.

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SPORTS

Views from....

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

I've got to have the only two teenage girls in the world that don't like hamburgers. This time of the year I love to grill out and my favorite food is without a doubt a hamburger, but if the girls find out ahead of time that I am going to fire up the grill they will always try and get me to cook boneless chicken breasts. I will admit I like chicken, but sometimes Dad gets a little greedy and cooks hamburgers anyway. That way I know what I can eat for leftovers for the rest of the week.

ELBA NO MATCH FOR PIKE COUNTY IN 35-0 LOSS

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*** Troy State won big in its first game at the new Movie Gallery Stadium and all of a sudden the Trojans and their fans are convinced they can beat the world. This week the Trojans can turn some heads with a good showing against Marshall, and if they should beat the Thundering Herd, maybe the folks up in T-Town will finally have something they can really brag about.

*** The field at Tiger Stadium in Elba really looked great Friday night for the game against Pike County. Coach Waters and his staff painted huge black and gold Tiger paws in the endzone and on the field, and with the green grass, white lines and black and gold paint it really looked first class. I have always said you can tell a lot about a coach by the way his field looks. Hey, Friday night it looked great.

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One of Alabama's oldest and most exciting high school football rivalries will be renewed Friday night at Luverne's Glen Daniel Stadium when the Luverne Tigers host the Elba Tigers.

Luverne will carry a 3-1 record and three-game winning streak into the annual clash, while Elba will enter the game with an 0-4 record.

"We are banged up and may look more like the walking wounded than a football team when we take the field Friday night over in Luverne," stated Elba's Coach Mike Waters, "but this is Elba against Luverne and it means something special to all the players here in Elba, and I look for us to play hard and fight for all four quarters to try and get in the win column."

"Luverne lost its season opener to Opp," added Coach Waters, "but hasn't lost since, and will be looking forward to playing us Friday night. They have a big offensive line that is the key to their attack, and some backs that really run hard. You know when you line up against Luverne that you will have a real battle on your hands, and this year's team has not missed a beat. Coach Mike Dubose has the players believing they can win, and in the last three weeks they have really played well on both sides of the football. Luverne has averaged four touchdowns a game on offense, while giving up only four touchdowns the entire season on defense. They have a lot of talent and are filled with confidence, and we know they will be ready when Elba comes to town."

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PRIMED FOR PICKING

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator stopped by the office Sunday afternoon and was all smiles after nailing all 35 of his picks last week, including such toss-ups as Florida over Kinston, Eufaula over Carroll and Straughn over Clarke County. The perfect week of picks moved the local guesstest to 105-14 for the season. However, after last week what can he possibly do for an encore? Oh well, here goes...

ELBA VS. LUVERNE

The Tigers have been a little timid ever since leaving their home along the river and moving into the hills West of town a few years back, and this week they must hit the road and tangle with another set of felines from up in Crenshaw County. If the Coffee County kitties can recover from last week's beating there is a chance they could snare their first win of the season, but those Crenshaw kitties are already on the prowl and should add to their win total Friday night.

LUVERNE 17 ELBA 14

NEW BROCKTON VS. FLORALA

The Gamecocks lost a few more feathers last week over in Dothan and must sharpen their talons in a hurry if they hope to scratch and claw their way past those Wildcats that live near the state line. Don't let the records fool ya — these 'Cats are no longer sawn and will be looking to pounce if the Gamecocks should stumble. In a battle...

NEW BROCKTON 22 FLORALA 20

KINSTON VS. SAMSON

The Bulldogs almost broke their chains last week, but got pulled back into the pound late Friday night as they remained winless on the season. This week they will make the short trip over the Samson and will find a hungry bunch of Tigers waiting to feast on the visit-ing pups. While an escape is possible, it is unlikely.

SAMSON 26 KINSTON 20

ZION CHAPEL VS. G.W. LONG

The stars and bars will be flying high and there is no doubt the South will rise again Friday night when these two Rebel armies line up to do battle. The men from Jack have been down a bumpy road this season and have yet to taste victory, while the men from in Skipperville have enjoyed success. Unless reinforcements arrive soon, the Coffee County troops will head home with yet another defeat.

G.W. LONG 34 ZION CHAPEL 16

BRANTLEY VS. HIGHLAND HOME

The Bulldogs from across the creek tread some feisty Lions last week on a hunt near the Georgia line and this week will return home with hopes of shooting down the crop dusters from up in the North part of the county. While it is true the 'Dogs haven't aimed too well in a few years, this year they have their sites set and should shoot 'em down.

BRANTLEY 29 HIGHLAND HOME 13

OTHER PICKS:

Arton 28	Geneva County 7
Wetumpka 35	Autaugaava 13
Houston Academy 39	Blackshear 6
Cottonwood 22	Wicksburg 8
Ashford 34	Houston County 0
Georgiana 43	McKenzie 12
Red Level 32	Pleasant Home 0
Goshen 26	J.F. Shields 20
Slocumb 38	Headland 6
Rehobeth 35	Abbeville 0
T.R. Miller 41	Andalusia 15
Pike County 20	Montgomery Academy 10
W.S. Neal 27	Escambia County 14
Straughn 21	Opp 20
Trinity 42	Dale County 0
Carroll 31	Daleville 6
Hillcrest 21	Geneva 7
Thomasville 28	Leroy 13
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Charles Henderson 35	Northview 0
Lanier 17	Dothan 15
Opelika 31	R.E. Lee 3
Prattville 24	Enterprise 10

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Luverne opened the season with a 24-6 loss to 4A Opp, but have rebounded with wins over Highland Home 17-12, Goshen 34-0 and Keith 28-6.

"Luverne is just another very good team on our schedule," said Coach Waters, "and they will just about as big as every other team we have faced, hope the Elba fans will make the short trip up to Luverne and cheer for the players. These kids have worked hard and need the support of the community. We may be 0-4, but the team has improved as the season has progressed, and neither the players or the coaches are about to give up. We will go to Luverne to win and will play hard."

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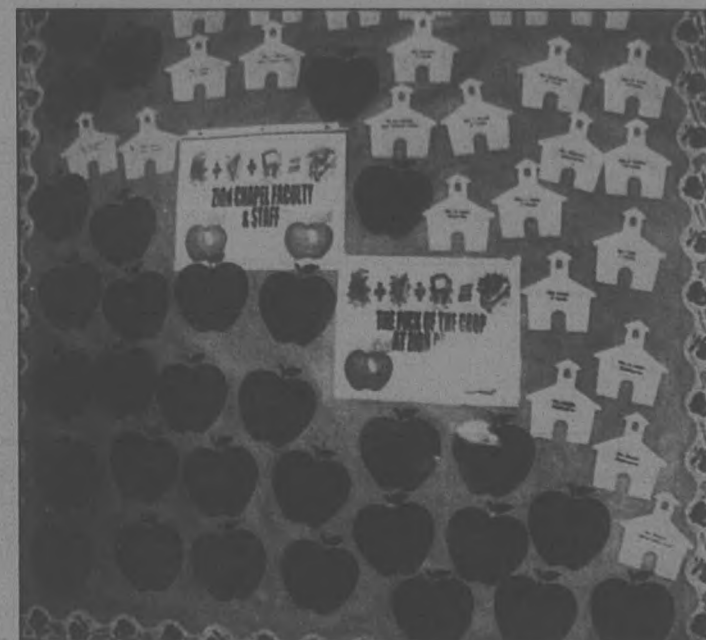
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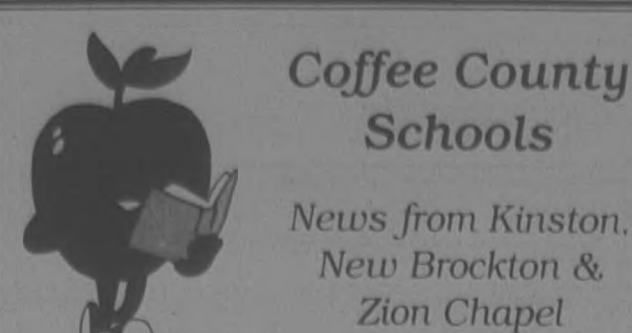
EOCC News:

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Coffee County Schools

News from Kinston, New Brockton & Zion Chapel

The Estrada Review

by Amanda Estrada

Book Review of *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*

Four best friends, one summer, four different adventures, one pair of worn-out, thrift store jeans. This book follows the lives of four girls as they spend their first summer apart. The girls, each with a different build and personality, go off and have a unique adventure with one thing in common — the pants.

The pants are magical. No matter which of the girls tried on the pants, they seemed to fit perfectly. Whether it was the short, saucy, Latina, Carmen, the quiet, gracefully built, Lena, the loud, athletic Bridget, or the long-legged pessimist Tibby, the pants seemed to be made for each of them. They discovered these magical pants the day before they were set to go on separate summer adventures.

This is how the Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants was created. They set down rules about the pants, such as what you could and could not do in them. They decided who would get the pants first and how long each person would have them. All summer the pants made their rounds all over the world. They followed Lena to Greece, where she visited her grandparents and was involved in a skinny dipping scandal, to Libby, who made a new friend with a horrible sentence named Bailey, to Bridget who was finding love at soccer camp in Baja, California, and then to Carmen, who was not spending the summer with her dad to herself as she had expected, but with a whole new family.

This was a wonderful tale of friendship, love, and magic pants. It will leave you with a deep desire to go out and have your own traveling pants adventure.

New Brockton FFA prepares for good year

by Sonya Hornsby

The New Brockton High School FFA Chapter has done an outstanding job over this summer. The students attended the 23rd Alabama State FFA Convention held in Montgomery in June, and the Livestock Career Development Event Team placed first in competition. Members of this award-winning team are Chelsey Hollis, Mark Windham, Drew Donaldson, and Layton Griffin. They will represent Alabama in the National Livestock Career Development Event in Louisville, Kentucky.

Chelsey Hollis had the overall top individual score in the contest. The New Brockton FFA Chapter was also recognized as a state top five chapter in the National Chapter Award program.

Other accomplishments over the summer include John Sawyer being selected as the South District FFA Secretary for 2003-2004.



The New Brockton FFA Chapter recently received a donation from Nathan Drewery on behalf of the WIX Filter Corporation.

The New Brockton FFA Chapter would like to thank Mr. And Mrs. Nathan Drewery and Blake for their support. They presented the New Brockton FFA with a check from the WIX Filter Corporation.

Short time remaining in 2003 PACT enrollment period

State Treasurer Kay Ivey reminded Alabama parents and grandparents today they still have two weeks left to enroll a child in Alabama's Prepaid Affordable College Tuition (PACT) Program. Enrollment for 2003 ends September 30.

The PACT Program gives parents and grandparents the ability to purchase a contract for the pre-payment of 135 semester hours of tuition and 8 semesters of mandatory fee payments at any Alabama public college or university. The price of the contract is based on the age/grade of the child. The younger the child, the lower the price. "PACT is based on a simple concept, pay today for tomorrow's tuition," stated Treasurer Ivey. "With college tuition skyrocketing, parents and grandparents can find no better bargain than PACT to save for a child's future college education."

Ivey noted that 135 semester hours of tuition and 8 semesters of fees at Alabama's public colleges cost a student today about \$16,000. Ivey further explained that parents may purchase a PACT contract for an infant child today for a lump-sum fee of \$15,528 compared to the projected cost of tuition and fees in 2021 of \$74,097.

The PACT Program features flexible payment options, the use of benefits at private or out-of-state institutions, tax advantages, and the ability to transfer benefits to another member of the family. PACT benefits can even be used in conjunction with scholarships.

"The price of the contracts goes up each year, so I encourage families to buy PACT for their children today, impact their tomorrow, and enjoy peace of mind," stated Ivey. To obtain a 2003 PACT application, contact the PACT office at 800-252-7228 or 334-242-7514, or visit the Treasurer's website www.treasury.state.al.us.

NBHS Important Dates: Take Note!

- Homecoming — Changed from October 3 to October 24. Gamecocks vs. Wicksburg.
- September — Students make sure club dues are paid this month!
- Week of September 29 — Graduation Exam
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Junior Girl Scout Troop 484 begins year with meeting

On September 15, 2003 the Junior Girl Scouts, Troop 484, of the Zion Chapel Community held their first meeting. The girls and the leaders were excited to begin a brand new year as a Girl Scout.

The young ladies had a night that was dedicated to improving self-esteem. They talked about what they liked about themselves and were then encouraged to tell the other girls what they liked about them.

The girls already have wonderful ideas about what the following year will hold. The community can look forward to seeing this troop involved in community services. There are plans to assist with Fleetwood Baptist Church's Fall Festival by running booths and donating candy. The girls will also hold a community Easter Egg Hunt later in the year.

Officer candidates were nominated at this meeting. The president, Nicole Mauldin, was appointed by the leaders of the troop based on her experience and leadership qualities. Shelby Boswell and Paige Gibson were nominated to run for Vice-President. Heather Bietz, Lizzie Carney, Mercedes Bell, and Alexis Hall were nominated to run for Secretary. Kelsey Sanders, Ashleigh DeSandro, and Rebecca Martin were nominated to run for Treasurer. The girls were encouraged to campaign at school. The members of the Junior Girl Scouts will hold elections at the next meeting, which will be held on Monday, September 28, 2003.

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*** Enterprise hotbed a short field-goal try late in the game and saw its three-game winning streak snapped with a 14-13 loss to highly-ranked Central, of Phenix City. The Wildcats battled back from a 14-0 halftime deficit to make it close and could have pulled off the upset if it had made the last-second field-goal. Maybe the Wildcats are better than many thought.

*** Charles Henderson upped its record to 4-0 and claimed its fourth straight shutout win by spanking Greenville 10-0. The Trojans received the opening kickoff and kept the ball for the entire first quarter as they headed toward the Greenville endzone. Charles Henderson did score on its third play of the second quarter, but that had to be one of the longest drives ever in high school football.

*** Eufaula flexed its muscles and made it known that the Tigers are indeed a team to watch in the 5A ranks by rolling past Carroll 35-12, in a battle of region unbeaten. The Tigers pulled out to a surprising 28-0 third quarter lead and easily held on to down the talented Eagles in the 5A showdown. Eufaula may not be the biggest 5A team in the state, but it is one of the biggest winners year in and year out.

*** Opelika must have decided it needed to make a statement last week in its 63-0 romp past Northview. The Bulldogs had struggled the week before and took out its frustrations on Coach Leavy Boutwell and his Cougars. After two narrow losses, it looks like the Cougars got knocked back a few notches.

*** Opp moved to 4-0 on the season with an easy 31-21 win over Bullock County. The Bobcats have a great group of young players coming through their program now and it looks like they have put the past behind them, and are headed for a big season. There are still some tough games ahead. However, the Bobcats are already getting ready for the post-season and are back.

*** Straughn remained one of the teams to beat in 3A circles by rolling past Clarke County 24-14. The win was big for the Tigers since it gave the Bulldogs from Clarke County their second loss and kept Straughn near the top of the region standings. Straughn still must get past Pike County to get a home field advantage in the playoffs, but the Tigers are very much alive and very much a contender.

*** T.R. Miller jumped out to a 56-0 halftime lead and rolled past Calhoun 63-8. The Tigers got off to a slow start last season before they caught fire late and won the state title. This year Miller started fast and is only getting better and better. Wonder what they have planned for an encore. You got it - another state title.

*** W.S. Neal wallpapered Central 48-14 and the rumor was that the Neal band failed to make the trip after school officials in Haywoodville called and told the Neal folks that they would charge the band to get in the game since they would take up so many seats. That may just be rumor, but whether it is true or not it was funny.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH...

*** I am an Alabama fan and believe that Coach Mike Shula will lead the Crimson Tide back to the top in the SEC and nationally. However, I was afraid that a lot of Bama fans were too excited after their early-season success and just had a feeling that somewhere along the line the Tide would stumble against a lesser opponent. That all happened last weekend with the loss to Northern Illinois, and now it will be interesting to see what those same fans are saying about the team and their new coach. I still think Alabama is headed in the right direction, but I am convinced now, more than ever, that more losses like the one last weekend will come before it's high tide in Tuscaloosa.

*** I read where Auburn brought in a former NFL back-up quarterback last week to survey the game films of Auburn's games this season and make recommendations. The ex-NFL nobody is in his late 70's, but apparently makes a living now as an offensive consultant and often helps struggling teams work out their kinks. C'mon, even if I would have asked the man for help I would not have told anybody!

*** Troy State won big in its first game at the new Movie Gallery Stadium and all of a sudden the Trojans and their fans are convinced they can beat the world. This week the Trojans can turn some heads with a good showing against Marshall, and they should beat the Thundering Herd, and be the folks up in T-Town will finally have something they can really brag about.

*** The field at Tiger Stadium in Elba really looked great Friday night for the game against Pike County. Coach Waters and his staff painted huge black and gold Tiger paws in the endzone and on the field, and with the green grass, white lines and black and gold paint it really looked first class. I have always said you can tell a lot about a coach by the way his field looks. Hey, Friday night it looked great.

In renewal of oldest rivalry

Elba Tigers set to invade Luverne

One of Alabama's oldest and most exciting high school football rivalries will be renewed Friday night at Luverne's Glen Daniel Stadium when the Luverne Tigers host the Elba Tigers.

Luverne will carry a 3-1 record and three-game winning streak into the annual clash, while Elba will enter the game with an 0-4 record.

"We are banged up and may look more like the walking wounded than a football team when we take the field Friday night over in Luverne," stated Elba's Coach Mike Waters, "but this is Elba against Luverne and it means something special to all the players here in Elba, and I look for us to play hard and fight for all four quarters to try and get in the win column."

"Luverne lost its season opener to Opp," added Coach Waters, "but hasn't lost since, and will be looking forward to playing us Friday night. They have a big offensive line that is the key to their attack, and some backs that really run hard. You know when you line up against Luverne that you will have a real battle on your hands, and I think for us to play hard and fight for all four quarters to try and get in the win column."

POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PRIMED FOR PICKING

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator stopped by the office Sunday afternoon and was all smiles after nailing all 35 of his picks last week, including such toss-ups as Florida over Kinston, Eufaula over Carroll and Straughn over Clarke County. The perfect week of picks moved the local guesstert to 105-14 for the season. However, after last week what can he possibly do for an encore? Oh well, here goes...

ELBA VS. LUVERNE

The Tigers have been a little timid ever since leaving their home along the river and moving into the hills West of town a few years back, and this week they must hit the road and tangle with another set of felines from up in Crenshaw County. If the Coffee County kitties can recover from last week's beating there is a chance they could snare their first win of the season, but those Crenshaw kitties are already on the prowl and should add to their win total Friday night.

LUVERNE 17 ELBA 14

NEW BROCKTON VS. FLORALA

The Gamecocks lost a few more feathers last week over in Dothan and must sharpen their talons in a hurry if they hope to scratch and claw their way past those Wildcats that live near the state line. Don't let the records fool ya - these 'Cats are no longer scrawny and will be looking to pounce if the Gamecocks should stumble in a battle.

NEW BROCKTON 22 FLORALA 20

KINSTON VS. SAMSON

The Bulldogs almost broke their chains last week, but got pulled back into the pound late Friday night as they remained winless on the season. This week they will make the short trip over the Samson and will find a hungry bunch of Tigers waiting to feast on the visiting pups. While an escape is possible, it is unlikely.

SAMSON 26 KINSTON 20

ZION CHAPEL VS. G.W. LONG

The stars and bars will be flying high and there is no doubt the South will rise again Friday night when these two Rebel armies line up to do battle. The men from Jack have been down a bumpy road this season and have yet to taste victory, while the men from over in Skipperville have enjoyed success. Unless reinforcements arrive soon, the Coffee County troops will head home with yet another defeat.

G.W. LONG 34 ZION CHAPEL 16

BRANTLEY VS. HIGHLAND HOME

The Bulldogs from across the creek tread some feisty Lions last week on a hunt near the Georgia line and this week will return home with hopes of shooting down the crop dusters from up in the North part of the county. While it is true the 'Dogs haven't aimed too well in a few years, this year they have their sites set and should shoot them down.

BRANTLEY 29 HIGHLAND HOME 13

OTHER PICKS:

Arifon 28	Geneva County 7
Wetumpka 35	Autaugua 13
Houston Academy 39	Blackshear 6
Cottonwood 22	Wicksburg 8
Ashford 34	Houston County 0
Georgiana 43	McKenzie 12
Red Level 32	Pleasant Home 0
Goshen 26	J.F. Shields 20
Slocomb 38	Headland 6
Rehobeth 35	Abbeville 0
T.R. Miller 41	Andalusia 15
Pike County 20	Montgomery Academy 10
W.S. Neal 27	Escambia County 14
Straughn 21	Opp 20
Trinity 42	Dale County 0
Carroll 31	Daleville 6
Hillcrest 21	Geneva 7
Thomasville 28	Leroy 13
Eufaula 28	Smiths Station 7
B.C. Rain 24	Greenville 8
Charles Henderson 35	Northview 0
Lanier 17	Dothan 15
Pelika 31	R.E. Lee 3
Prattville 24	Enterprise 10

Tigers." Prior to the season, Coach Dubose stated "My biggest concern is overall team speed. We've got to move the ball and score points and take advantage of our strengths, which I think is the offensive line and our receivers."

The offensive line is anchored by two of the state's best in guard James Norman (6-1, 220) and tackle Chester Adams (6-6, 322), while Luverne also has a pair of talented receivers in Pat Parks (6-3, 180) and William Wood (6-1, 185).

Luverne opened the season with a 24-6 loss to 4A Opp, but

have rebounded with wins over Highland Home 17-12, Goshen 34-0 and Keith 28-6.

"Luverne is just another very good team on our schedule," said Coach Waters, "and they will just about as big as every other team we have faced. I hope the Elba fans will make the short trip up to Luverne and cheer for the players. These kids have worked hard and need the support of the community. We may be 0-4, but the team has improved as the season has progressed, and neither the players or the coaches are about to give up. We will go to Luverne to win and will play hard."

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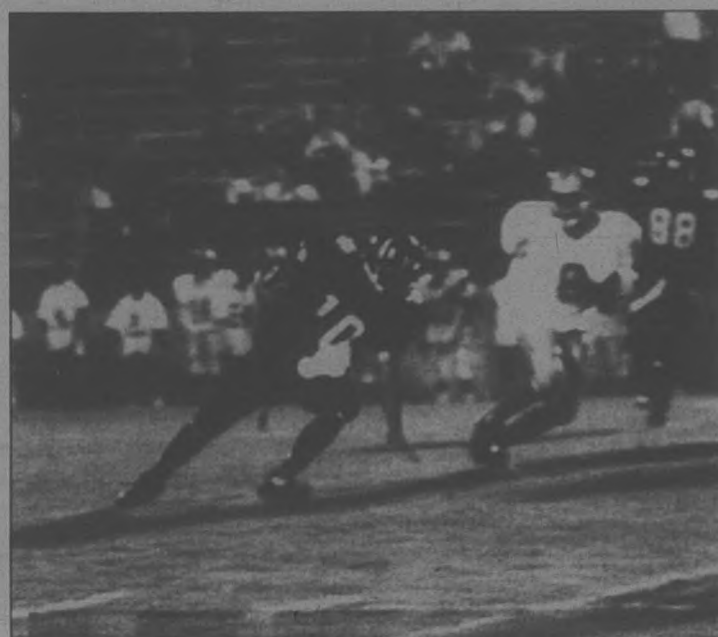
Elba linebacker Trey Davis (44) closes in to make the stop on a Pike County runner. Davis and the Tigers will head to Luverne Friday night to battle the Luverne Tigers.



A trumpet player in the Elba Marching Tiger band performs a solo during halftime ceremonies. The Marching Tigers wowed the crowd on hand Friday night with another outstanding performance.



Elba's Kirby Gray (3) goes high to break up a pass near the Tiger endzone. The Tigers will head to Luverne this week to battle Luverne and will be looking to end their four game losing streak.



Elba Tiger quarterback Brandon Kelley (10) tries to maintain his balance after turning the corner on the Pike County defense. The Tigers fell to 0-4 on the season with a 35-0 loss to the Bulldogs.



Elba tight-end Guy Anderson (85) heads downfield in last week's 35-0 loss to Pike County. The Tigers will be looking to get into the win column this week when they travel to Luverne.

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Tigers fall hard to Pike County 35-0

Story by Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
 Photos by Mike Capps

The Elba Tigers hosted the highly-ranked Pike County Bulldogs Friday night at Tiger Stadium in a key region contest and left the game battered, bruised and beaten as the Bulldogs used the big play to cruise past the Tigers 35-0.

The loss left the Tigers with an 0-4 record, 0-3 in region play, while the win upped the Bulldogs' record to 3-1, 3-0 in the region. Elba kicked off to begin the game, but got he ball right back at the Pike County 44-yardline after a big fourth down stop by the Tigers' Jessie Thigpen and Kaleb Dyess. The Tigers quickly moved to a first down at the Bulldog 31 after a 17-yard dash by Kimmy Hill, but were knocked back by a penalty and two big losses, and punted the ball back to Pike County on fourth down.

The Bulldogs put the ball in play at their own 24-yardline and drove 76 yards in seven plays to get on the scoreboard. Chris Nickson gained 24 yards on two carries to spark the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 37-yard pass from Nickson to Elijah Daniels. Nick Walker added the extra-point and with 2:32 left in the first quarter Pike County owned a 7-0 lead.

Pike County began its next possession at the Elba 43-yardline after a short Tiger punt and this time needed only four plays to cover the distance into the endzone. The score came on a 29-yard pass from Chris Nickson to Elijah Daniels, and Walker booted the extra-point as the Bulldogs upped their lead to 14-0 with 9:47 remaining in the second quarter.

The next three offensive possessions ended in punts, with Pike County winding up with the ball at its own 27-yardline. A 17-yard run by Chris Nickson and a pass interference penalty against Elba helped the Bulldogs stay alive early in the drive, while Pike County again went to the air to get into the endzone as Chris Nickson hooked up with Nick Walker on a 55-yard touchdown toss. Walker added the extra-point and with :27 left in the half the Bulldogs owned a big 21-0 advantage.

The Tigers received the second half kickoff and headed down the field on a 13 play drive that ate up almost seven minutes off the clock. Kikko Logan gained 31 yards on five carries and Brandon Kelley connected with Kirby Gray on a 12-yard pass completion to help Elba move to a first down at the Pike County 23-yardline. The Tigers got as close as the Pike County 18 after a three-yard dash by Brandon Kelley, but could get no closer, and turned the ball over on downs when a fourth down pass fell incomplete.

Pike County answered the tie in the Elba drive with a long drive of its own as the Bulldogs marched 79 yards in 11 plays to add to their lead. Pike County faced a third down and 24 at its own 36-yardline early in the drive, but a 22-yard pass completion from Chris Nickson to Reggie Griffin and an 8-yard keeper by Nickson gave the Bulldogs the first down, and two plays later the 'Dogs were back in the endzone, this time on a 22-yard touchdown toss from Nickson to Griffin. Nick Walker turned a bad snap into a two-point run, and with 11:26 remaining in the fourth quarter Pike County owned a 29-0 lead.

The Bulldogs got the ball back at the Elba 46 after a 25-yard Elba punt and this time needed only one play to score a touchdown. The score came on a 51-yard dash by James Jackson after a five-yard penalty on first down, and although Elba's Kikko Logan blocked the extra-point, it made little difference as Pike County was in command with a 35-0 lead with 7:35 left in the game.

The Elba offense put together another long drive following the Pike County score and behind the running of Marchello Reed and Kikko Logan moved to a first down at the Pike County 44-yardline. The Tigers moved to a fourth down and three at the Bulldog 37, but lost a fumble on the fourth down play, and then watched as Pike County simply ran out the clock to claim the 35-0 win over Elba.

Kikko Logan gained 54 yards on 15 carries and Kimmy Hill added 44 yards on 14 carries to lead the Elba offense, while Pike County was led by Chris Nickson with 81 yards rushing on 12 carries and 181 yards passing, including 4 touchdown passes.

The Yardstick....

STATISTICS

E	PC
9	14
40-132	27-217
-2	181
130	398
3-7-0	5-7-0
1/1	0/0
5-26	1-24
6-45	10-95
1st Downs	
Rushes-Yds.	
Passing Yds.	
Total Offense	
Passes	
Fumbles/Lost	
Punts-Ave.	
Penalties-Yds.	



Elba's Kimmy Hill (20) looks upfield for room to run as he returns a kickoff in the Tigers' region battle against Pike County. The Tigers will travel to Luverne Friday night to renew their oldest football rivalry.



Elba Tiger cheerleader Mallory Allen helped keep the Elba fans excited early in the game last week. The Tiger cheerleaders keep the spirit each week as the Tigers battle region opponents and area foes alike. This week Elba will travel to Luverne to renew their oldest football rivalry when they tangle with the Luverne Tigers.

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SPORTS

Grabs first win of season

Elba Junior High dumps Goshen 14-8

Story and photos by Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Elba Junior High Tigers snapped a two-game losing streak last Tuesday night by posting an exciting 14-8 win over the Goshen Eagles, in Goshen.

The Tigers opened the game with a bang as Derrick Manning scooped up an Eagle fumble and raced 59 yards into the endzone. Jordan Bryant bulled over for the two-point conversion, and after only one snap the Tigers were already on top 8-0.

Elba reached the Goshen 17-yardline late in the first quarter after a long run by Jordan Bryant, but failed to cash in the scoring opportunity, and at the half owned an 8-0 advantage.

The Tigers again failed to cash in on a scoring chance midway through the third quarter, and then saw Goshen score on a 62-yard pass play midway through the final stanza to pull even at 8-8.

Elba's offense once again headed toward the Eagle endzone following the Goshen touchdown, and moved to a third down and eight at the Eagle 17-yardline. The Tigers converted the key third down play, when Derrick Manning pulled in a screen pass and carried three Goshen defenders all the way to the Eagle one-yardline. Jacob Forbes scored one play later on a quarterback sneak, and the Tigers were back on top 14-8 with 1:01 remaining in the game.



An Elba Junior High receiver goes high in an attempt to pull in a pass during action last week in Goshen. The Tigers claimed a 14-8 win over the Eagles to move their record to 1-2 on the season.

Goshen went back to the airways in a last ditch effort to pull out the win, but the Elba defense held and at the final horn the Tigers had the exciting 14-8 win.



Elba Junior High coach Marty Marler talks with his team during a time-out in last week's 14-8 win over Goshen. The win was the first of the season for the Junior Tigers and moved their record to 1-2 on the season.

In volleyball action

Elba Tigers improve record to 7-4

The Elba Tigers hit the court three times last week in high school volleyball action and posted two big wins to improve

their record to 7-4 on the season.

Elba opened the week's action at home against Andalusia and posted a 25-14, 25-14, 25-16 win. The leading servers were Lyndsay Lawford with 14 and Kendall Stinson with 11, while Ashleigh Waddail recorded 4 kills and Whitney Lawford added 3. Kristen Barnes had 8 digs.

The Tigers hosted Samson and were upset in a five-set thriller 26-24, 20-25, 21-25, 25-18, 8-15. Mallory Allen recorded 15 service points to lead Elba, while Yolanda Reynolds added 13. Ashleigh Waddail had 15 kills and Kristen Barnes had 7 digs.

Elba closed out the week with a 25-4, 25-5, 25-4 win over Pike County. Yolanda Reynolds led the Tigers with 16 service points, while Mallory Allen had 13 kills and Mallory Allen and Kendall Stinson both had 2 digs.

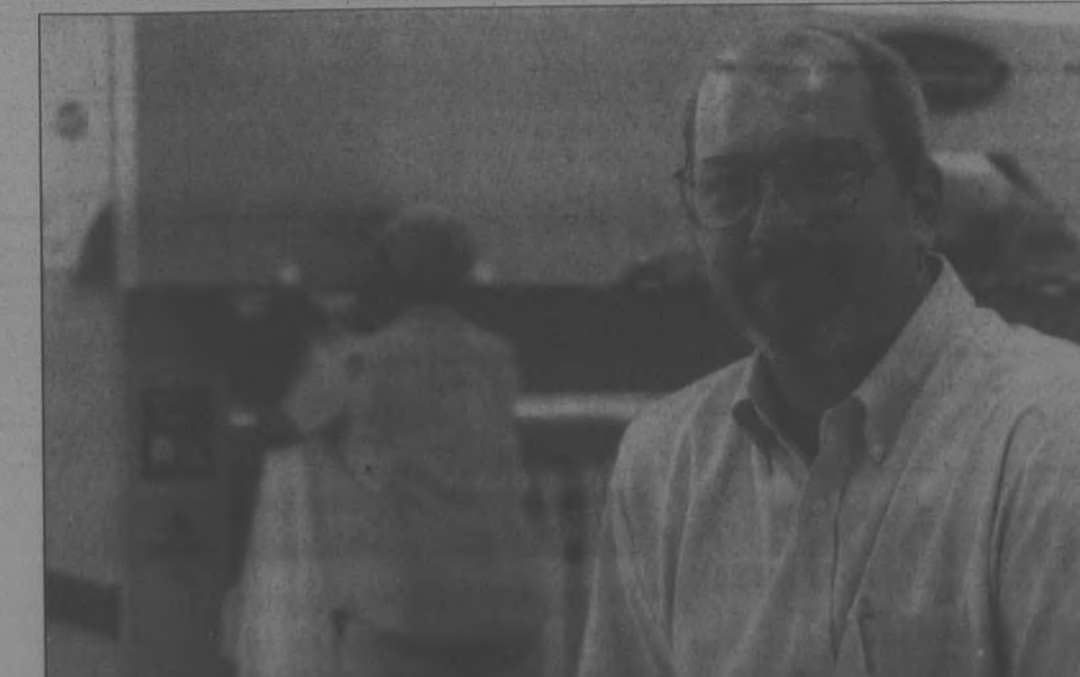
After 11 matches, Yolanda Reynolds is leading the team with 97 service points, while Ashleigh Waddail has 92 service points and leads the team with 83 kills.

"The team had a great match against Andalusia," said Coach Amelia Rhoades, "and it was our best all around match of the season. In the loss to Samson we had a very difficult time on the playing court. We did play hard the entire match, but just could not put the points on the scoreboard. In the win over Pike County, it was serving that was our main strength, as we served hard and were consistent throughout the match."



Elba Tigers Ashleigh Waddail (13) and Lyndsay Lawford (15) go high to block a shot in a recent win over Andalusia. (Photo compliments of John Wallace - Andalusia Star News.)

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Elba Tiger volleyball coach Amelia Rhoades talks with members of the junior varsity team during a time-out. The Elba JV improved their record to 5-1 last week with a straight set win over Samson. (Photo compliments of John Wallace - Andalusia Star News)

Elba JV Tigers push season record to 5-1

The Elba Junior Varsity Tigers dropped their first match of the season early in the week to Andalusia, but rebounded to down Samson to improve their record to 5-1 on the season.

On Tuesday the Tigers were upset by Andalusia 21-25, 24-26. Tamara Oliver was the top server.

The Tigers bounced back to defeat Samson 25-18, 25-22, 25-15. Juliana Vega led the team in service points with 12, while Anna Petty added 9. Melanie Mularz led the Tigers in digs and kills.

"This young team had dedication and determination," stated Coach Amelia Rhoades, "and it really made a good showing on the court in the win against crowd."

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SPORTS



Brantley's Marcel Stamps (6) tries to pull away from a Houston County defender in last week's 32-6 win over the Lions. Brantley will return home this week to meet the Highland Home Flying Squadron in a cross-county rivalry.

Brantley pulls ahead early and pulls away late to cage Houston County Lions 32-6

Story by Greg Brunson
Photos by Janet Brunson

With a final score of 32-6, one might think it was not much of a game. Wrong! While it is true the Brantley Bulldogs defeated the Houston County Lions, by that score on Friday night, two fourth quarter touchdowns by the Bulldogs resulted in the decisive score that kept Brantley undefeated on the season at 4-0 and improved its region record to 3-0.

An exchange of punts on the game's first two possessions gave Brantley the football at its own 21-yardline, and the Bulldogs got on the scoreboard first when they drove 79 yards in nine plays. The scoring march featured a 14-yard pass from Channing Spivey to Jamyal Jones and a 28-yard dash by Devaris Skanes, while the touchdowns came on a 13-yard pass from Channing Spivey to a wide open Devaris Skanes. A Cedric Jones extra-point try failed, but with 4:11 remaining in the first quarter the Bulldogs were on top 6-0.

The Brantley defense held the Lions to three rushes for only five yards on the ensuing possession, and after a short punt the Bulldogs found themselves right back in business near midfield.

The Bulldogs needed only eight plays to cover the 52 yards into the endzone as they upped their lead in the key region clash. Jamyal Jones had an 8-yard reception and a 25-yard run

to help the Bulldogs reach the Houston County 4-yardline, and capped the scoring march with a 25-yard touchdown plunge. Channing Spivey connected with Cedric Jones for the two-point conversion and with 10:57 left in the second quarter Brantley owned a 14-0 advantage.

Houston County managed two first downs on its next series, with a key play being a 25-yard pass completion on a diving catch by Tavares Black. Cassini Wiley ended the mild scoring threat with a pass interception of a Seaborn Barber pass at the Brantley 32-yardline, and the Bulldogs again headed toward the Lions' endzone.

Brantley had to overcome its third consecutive major distance penalty on the first play of the possession, but the Bulldogs never missed a beat despite the penalty and marched 67 yards in 13 plays to add to their lead. The touchdown came when Channing Spivey hit Marcel Stamps with a short pass and Stamps made the catch, made a sharp cut inside and raced 13 yards into the endzone. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 1:59 remaining in the second quarter Brantley had taken command by grabbing a 20-0 lead.

Houston County bounced right back with a 52-yard kickoff return by Tavares Black that set the Lions up at the Brantley 47-yardline. Four plays later Jeremy McKenzie broke loose

for 25 yards and a touchdown with only 43 ticks left on the clock. A two-point try failed, and when the half ended Brantley went in with a 20-6 advantage.

Both offenses moved the football early in the second half, but neither was able to cross the goalline. Early in the final stanza Houston County drove from its own 30-yardline to the Brantley 32. This drive was stopped with 2:32 remaining in the game when Channing Spivey picked off a Lions' pass at the Brantley 11-yardline.

The Bulldogs were content to run out the clock and leave with the win, but Devaris Skanes still had unfinished business and brought the Brantley fans to their feet when he took a hand-off and raced 84 yards for a touchdown. A crushing block near midfield by Lance Myers helped Skanes go the distance, and even though the extra-point try failed the Bulldogs owned a 26-6 lead with 1:25 left in the game.

Brantley's final points came with :22 left on the clock when Andre "Biscuit" Tillis intercepted a Houston County pass and rambled 45 yards for a touchdown. Brantley did not attempt the extra-point, and at the final horn the Bulldogs had the big region win 32-6.

Devaris Skanes had another big night on both offense and defense as he gained 170 yards on 16 carries, made two catches for 25 yards and had a big night on defense. Jamyal Jones added 75 yards on eight carries and 33 yards on four catches, while Channing Spivey connected on 10 of 12 passes for 92 yards. Houston County was led by Jeremy McKenzie with 55 yards on 14 totes and Seaborn Barber with 50 yards on 12 carries.

STATISTICS

B HC
17 1st Downs 10
28-260 Rushes-Yds. 42-147
92 Passing Yds. 25
352 Total Offense 172
10-12-0 Passes 1-5-3
53 Return Yds. 102
10-101 Penalties-Yds. 5-41
2-44 Punts-Ave. 4-30

Fall to 1-2 in region action

Gamecocks tripped up by Raiders 17-6

Story and photos by Robby Kinsaul

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw their record drop to 2-2 (1-2 in region) on the season Friday night in Dothan after a tough 17-6 loss to the Houston Academy Raiders.

The Gamecock defense did not allow a rushing touchdown throughout the game, with both Raider scores coming through the air on passes of 11 and 21 yards.

Offensively for New Brockton, Tyler Simmons had another 100-yard night as he gained 107 yards on 11 carries. Although Simmons didn't score a rushing touchdown, he did have two long runs of 50 and 29 yards. Brandon Owens converted the Gamecocks' only score of the night on a 3-yard run. On defense Tyler Simmons led the team with 11 tackles, while Jerrod Bell added 10 stops.

Houston Academy opened the game on offense, and after two running plays netted only four yards. The Raiders went to the air, only to see the Gamecocks' Tanner Medley intercept the Houston Academy aerial and return the interception 19 yards to the Raider 11-yardline. The Gamecocks faced a third down and six after two short gains on the ground, but got a break when a Raider lineman jumped across the neutral zone, and scored on the next play when Brandon Owens took a handoff and bulled over from three yards out. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 9:07 left in the first quarter New Brockton was already on top 6-0.

Houston Academy came back on its next possession and behind the running of Hudson Atwell and Drew Washington marched 71 yards in 12 plays to grab the lead. The Raider touchdown came on an 11-yard pass from Ben Shelley to Brent Hardy, and Alex Burkett booted the extra-point as Houston Academy moved ahead 7-6 with 3:56 remaining in the first quarter.

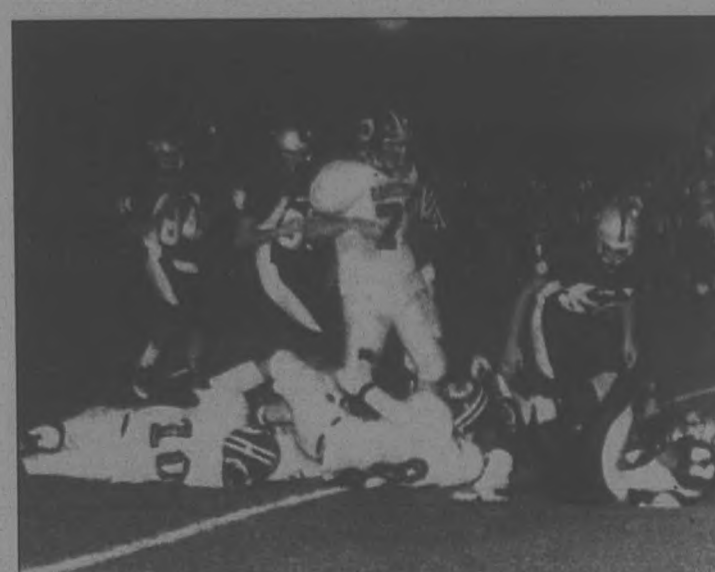
Houston Academy put together another long drive on its next possession and reached a third down at the Gamecocks' 7-yardline, but the New Brockton defense rose up and turned back the drive by forcing an incomplete pass, and the Raiders had to settle for a 23-yard field-goal by Alex Burkett that upped the Raiders' lead to 10-6 with 8:40 remaining in the second quarter.

New Brockton received the second half kickoff and quickly moved to the Houston Academy 22-yard line on a 50-yard sprint by Tyler Simmons. The Gamecocks moved to a fourth down and two at the Raider 14, but failed to get the needed yardage on the key fourth down play, and came away empty-handed.

The Gamecocks regained possession at the Houston



READY TO ROLL...The New Brockton offense is lined up and ready for action last week against Houston Academy. This week the Gamecocks will travel to Florida to battle the Florida Wildcats.



There were bodies on the ground everywhere on this play after a big Gamecock hit. New Brockton slipped to 2-2 on the season with a 17-6 loss to Houston Academy.

Academy 15 on a fumble recovery by Brandon Owens, but were again unable to cash in against the Raider defense, and this time failed to put any points on the scoreboard as on fourth down a 33-yard field-goal attempt by Owens sailed wide right.

Houston Academy scored the final points of the game when Ben Shelley hit Brent Hardy with a 21-yard scoring strike. Burkett added the extra-point, and with 4:35 left in the fourth quarter Houston Academy had the win wrapped up with a 17-6 lead.

Zion Chapel still looking for first win of season after 43-7 loss to Ariton

Story by Ross Adkinson

The Zion Chapel Rebels hit the road last week to take on the Purple Cats of Ariton and found the going a little too tough as the Cats moved ahead early and then pulled away to post a big 43-7 win.

The loss left the Rebels winless at 0-4, 0-3 in region action, while Ariton moved its record to 4-0, 3-0 in the region with the win.

Ariton got on the scoreboard first on a 5-yard touchdown run by Marquis Ward. The extra-point try failed, but with 4:32 left in the first quarter the Purple Cats were on top 6-0.

Ariton added to its lead on a 29-yard touchdown pass to Marquis Ward with 3:59 remaining in the opening stanza,

and this time tacked on a two-point conversion to move its advantage to 14-0.

The Purple Cats added a touchdown on a 12-yard Marquis Ward run, 0:4 left in the first quarter, and added the extra-point to take a 21-0 first quarter lead.

A 48-yard punt return by Aaron Reeves with 10:01 left in the second quarter put the "Cats back in the endzone, and Reeves also ran in the two-point conversion as Ariton took complete command by opening up a 29-0 advantage.

The Purple Cats continued their assault against the Rebel defense later in the second quarter and increased their lead to 36-0 with 6:06 left in the stanza on a 9-yard scoring pass to Steven Jackson.

Ariton wrapped up its first half scoring with only :05 left on the clock on a 42-yard run by Steven Jackson, and at intermission the Purple Cats went in with a big 43-0 lead.

Zion Chapel's offense came to life in the final stanza when Josh and Austin Smith led the Rebels nearly 80 yards down the field in 13 plays. Hayden Osborne capped the long scoring drive with a short touchdown dash, and with 5:06 left in the game the Rebels avoided the shut-out and got on the scoreboard.

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SPORTS

In overtime thriller

Kinston falls to Wildcats 18-15

Story by Scott Johnson
Photos by Mary Johnson

The Kinston Bulldogs gave their hometown fans just about all the excitement they could stand Friday night, but were unable to come up with their first win of the season as the Florida Wildcats kicked a field-goal in overtime to claim an 18-15 win.

The loss left the Bulldogs with an 0-3 record, 0-3 in region play, while Florida improved its record to 1-3 with the win and moved to 1-2 in region competition.

Florida returned the opening kickoff to its own 38-yardline and managed to move the football past midfield. After a Wildcat penalty and a quarterback sack by Kinston's Lee McCrummen pushed the "Cats back to their own 42, Florida was forced to punt, with the Bulldogs putting the ball in play at their own 41.

Kinston faced third down and 17 after two unsuccessful running plays, but on the third down play Kinston's J.T. Wiggins connected with Shawn Brantley on a 24-yard pass completion that gave the Bulldogs a first down at the Florida 40-yardline. Jerome Ball gained 10 yards to move the "Dogs to the 30, and on the next play Ball got the call again and this time found a hole in the Florida defense and raced 30 yards for a touchdown. Jeremy Driver kicked the extra-point and with 6:46 remaining in the first quarter Kinston was on top 7-0.

Florida once again found itself with good field position after a long kickoff return, and the Wildcats quickly crossed midfield behind the running of Victor Hobdy and Corderus Smiley. The Wildcats got on the scoreboard when Robbie Evans hit A.J. Thompson with a 49-yard touchdown pass, and Evans passed to Johnathan Carnley for the two-point conversion as the Wildcats moved ahead 8-7.

Kinston found itself with excellent field-position near midfield after an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt by Florida, but failed to take advantage of the short field and handed the ball back to the Wildcats on a fumble at the Kinston 46-yardline.

Kinston got the ball right back when Chad Bedsale intercepted a pass and returned it to the Kinston 38, but the turnover



Kinston's Jeremy Driver (80) drags down a Florida runner for a short gain. The Bulldogs will return to action this week against the Samson Tigers.

bug continued to hit the two region rivals only three plays later when Van Gettis picked off a Bulldog pass and returned the interception 40 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point try by A.J. Thompson hit the cross bar and bounced over as Florida upped its lead to 15-7 with 3:06 still remaining in a wild first quarter.

Both teams failed to put points on the scoreboard on their next two possessions, but Kinston's Jerome Ball did pin the Wildcats down deep as he boomed a 49-yard punt that was downed at the Florida 12-yardline. After another exchange of punts, Florida had the ball back at its own 32-yardline. A four-yard loss on a quarterback sack by Jason Coon and big hits on running plays by the Bulldogs' Shawn Brantley and Joseph McCrummen forced yet another Florida punt, and this time the snap sailed high over the hands of the Wildcat punter and Jeremy Driver tackled the Wildcat punter at the Florida 1-yardline.

Cole Meeks carried the ball around the left end into the endzone for a Bulldog touchdown, and also bulled his way over on the two-point conversion as Kinston pulled even at 15-15 with 3:55 remaining in the second quarter.

Neither team could accomplish anything on offense in the second half, and the only scoring threat came midway through

the third quarter when Florida recovered a Bulldog fumble at the Kinston 23-yardline. The Bulldog defense was up to the challenge, however, and a missed field-goal kept the score tied at 15-15.

Kinston put the ball in play first in overtime at the Bulldog 10-yardline and moved to the nine on a one-yard gain by Cole Meeks. Jerome Ball got the call on second down and dove to the Florida 4-yardline, while on third down it was Ball again, and this time he managed to fight his way inside the Florida 1. Kinston handed the ball back to Mr. Ball on the all important fourth down play, but this time he was stopped short of the goal line, as Kinston came away empty-handed.

Florida was knocked back on its first play on offense when Joseph McCrummen broke through for a big sack, and after Chris Strickland had a big stop on second down Florida was left with a third down at the 10-yardline. Victor Hobdy gained six yards on the third down play to move the Wildcats to the Kinston 4, and on fourth down A.J. Thompson came in and avenged his earlier miss by booting a 21-yard field-goal to give the Wildcats the heart-stopping 18-15 win.

Kinston will make the short trip over to Samson next week with hopes of bringing home a win over the (0-4) Tigers. Kick off is set for 7:00 PM.

Blackburn and Shores grab first wins of season at SAS

By Mark Chisum

Two drivers picked up their first victories at South Alabama Speedway Saturday night. Todd Blackburn won his first Super Stock Feature and Ted Shores took home his first winner's trophy in the Vintage Feature.

In the Super Stock Feature, Tommy Adams took the early lead with Blackburn close behind. Blackburn made several attempts to get under Adams, but Adams had just enough power to hold on to the lead. Meanwhile a trio of drivers, Scotty Anderson, Jody Henderson, and Rick Northey were hustling up from the back to join the battle up front.

Finally, Blackburn made his move as Adams slipped up the track in turn three on lap 14. Adams and Anderson got together a couple of times during the race, the first while battling for second on lap fifteen. A couple of laps later, Adams' engine let go and he collected Anderson as he headed into the wall. When the race restarted, Blackburn gained his advantage over Northey and held his lead to the end. Northey finished second, two car lengths back. Points leader David Ashley was third, followed by Henderson and Anderson.

Shores had an easier time in the Vintage Feature, leading flag to flag. Andy Bevis and Phillip

Anderson made strong runs through the pack, but with the race going green all the way, the pair didn't have enough laps to erase Shores' advantage. Bevis started ninth and came through with a runner up finish, while Anderson started tenth and finished third. Steve Joyner and Dave Redden finished fourth and fifth.

Kevin Peel picked up his fourth Modified Feature win of the season. Peel got by Zach Hammett on the 18th lap and went on to win. Hammett held on to finish second with Jamie Ater third, and Edward Berry fourth.

In an exciting Street Stock Feature, Scott Morse came away with the victory. Chad Roberts led an early race five car battle for the lead, staying in

front of Jeff Smith, Morse, Stacy Bedsale, and Derek Deese. Morse was able to get under Roberts on lap eight to take the lead. Deese moved into third on the tenth lap and took second when Bedsale hit the front stretch wall on lap sixteen. Morse was able to pull ahead on the restart, and maintain his lead for the remaining nine laps. Deese was unable to challenge Morse for the top position as he was having to protect his position from Smith. Roberts came across the line fourth with Harold Hurt fifth.

The Roadrunner Feature was nine laps old when rain forced 'an end the night's activities. Will Mack was in charge when the red flag came out. The race will be completed as part of next week's line up.

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Golf tournament to benefit fight against cancer set for Oct. 17

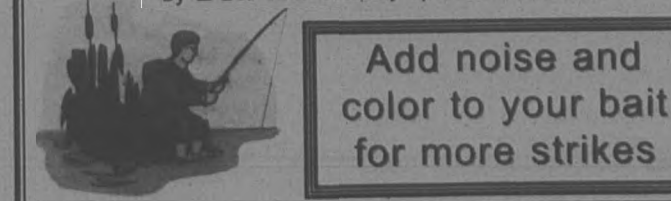
All area golfers are invited to take part in the fight against cancer at this year's Ed Hilboldt and Jack N. Reynolds Memorial Golf Tournament, set for Oct. 17, at the Ozark Country Club and Panther Creek Golf Course. The tournament is being held

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by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist



Add noise and color to your bait for more strikes

The first plastic worm I ever saw was in a service station in Luverne, Alabama during the mid fifties. I had tagged along with my father to buy gas and have a "soda water" (that's a soft drink) one night after supper. The owner was rigging hundreds of plastic worms with a three-hook harness for a local wholesale tackle company.

I was around eight years old and had just started using a bait casting rod and artificial baits, but even then I wondered how anything that stiff and lifeless could entice a bass to strike it. They had little more action than a cigar being pulled through the water, but there was something about them that the bass loved.

As the years past and other manufacturers sprang up, the plastic worm got softer more life like. The beads and propeller of the earlier ones was abandoned and a single weedless hook rigged either Texas or Carolina style became the norm. Later all kind of creatures including, lizards, caterpillars, grubs, and others were molded from the same pliable plastic.

Today's fishermen still catch fish on them for the same reasons their grandfathers did. They look about as real as any artificial bait made when retrieved at a slow, slithering speed. They can be made to hop, dive, rise, twitch or crawl along the bottom by simply using the rod tip to give action to the bait. Just remember that soft plastics are usually more productive when fished slowly. A few light twitches with the rod tip can supply all the action a plastic worm needs to look alive. Practice retrieving soft plastic baits in a swimming pool where you can see how they respond to various retrieves.

Selecting the proper rod is always important but even more so if you are using soft plastics for large fish. A medium heavy action rod in a 6 to 7 foot length has enough muscle and leverage to set the hook in a large fish and to pull one out of thick cover. Plastics are still cheap when compared to other baits. It won't break the bank to stock up with a lot of different colors. Dark colors usually work better in muddy or stained water; light colors are better in clear water. But try both no matter the water condition. Sometimes the bass just don't follow these rules of thumb.

Adding noise can often be the difference needed to entice strikes. Rattle inserts are available that gives soft plastics the added attraction of noise. The addition of rattle inserts seems to work best when the water is stained. But again, try them with and without the noise, regardless of water clarity.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



THIS YEAR'S MISS NPF CONTESTANTS recently visited Adventureland of Dothan as they prepared for this year's pageant. Preliminaries for this year's pageant will be held at the Dothan Civic Center, Friday, October 24th. Verbal Communications Preliminary will be at 2 p.m. and Evening Gown Preliminary will be at 7 p.m. Pageant finals will be held at the Dothan Civic Center, Saturday, October 25th at 7 p.m.

City of New Brockton announces Fall Festival date

The New Brockton Beautification Committee is planning a Fall Festival to be held Saturday, Oct. 18, in the New Brockton Memorial Park. The festivities will begin at 9 a.m. and continue throughout the day, and will be entertainment for the whole family.

Free white pine trees available from National Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free white pine trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during September 2003.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. "The white pines will add year-round beauty to your home and neighborhood," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "They are fast-growing landscape trees with

Entertainers will include Don Helms, Lamar Morris, Derek Snellgrove, Crimmon River, Jordanaires, Ken Hicks & The Front Porch Pickers. Food available will include barbecue pork and chicken, hamburgers and all the fixin's. Those attending should bring lawn chairs. Bathrooms and parking will be available. Booths will be \$15.00, for information call 804-5283. There will be no admission charge, however, donations will be accepted.

"Celebrate Elba 150" weekend set for October 9-12

The celebration of Elba's 150 years reaches its climax in less than one month as the final events will be held during a weekend extravaganza.

It's hard to believe the year of events will end soon, but "Celebrate Elba 150" committee members assure the best is yet to come.

This full weekend of fulfilled events will begin Friday, Oct. 10, as citizens are reminded to wear their "Celebrate Elba 150" t-shirts for the all day t-shirt day.

Activities begin early Friday morning when the First Baptist Church plays host at a Prayer Breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. Next, the business industry of Elba will be recognized through a Business and Merchants Appreciation Expo on the downtown square from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. This event will allow local businesses to exhibit their goods and services for the community. It also allows the community to meet those who serve them while learning a bit more about what is available in this area.

Saturday, Oct. 11, is probably the most anticipated event of the year as a festival and parade will be held. Entertainment, crafters and much more will fill the streets of downtown Elba leading up to a special ceremony at Noon.

This ceremony will consist, in part, of recognizing those individuals or family members of individuals who have made significant contributions to the City of Elba either through business and commerce or by acting as ambassadors for the city.

The festival will conclude at 4:30 p.m. with a huge Sesquicentennial parade, and anyone interested in participating is asked to call Jimmy

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Juliana Sims celebrates 5th birthday

Juliana Montgomery Sims celebrated her 5th birthday on Aug. 12, 2003.

She is the daughter of Keith and Jana Sims of Navarre, Fla. Grandparents are Jane Burkett and the late James Burkett of New Brockton, and George and Estha Sims of Navarre.

Co-Op Spotlight

by Jessica Danford



This week's Co-Op Spotlight focuses on Ashton Grimes.

Ashton is the 16-year-old daughter of Brian and Anita Grimes. She is employed at Kelley's BBQ of Elba.

Ashton is a junior and is involved in the Marching Tiger Band where she is on the color guard.

In her spare time, she hangs out with her friends, goes shopping and meets new people.

Congratulations Ashton and keep up the good work!



Tiger Tales

Editors:
Brittany Cooper
& Alex Allen

Boy Scouts open to Elba's young men

by Alex Allen

oversee the troop activities.

These activities include camping, hiking, fishing, and many others outdoor activities. The meetings are held at the Recreational Center on Mondays at 7 p.m., so if you're a young man looking for a way to develop leadership and responsibility then check out the Boy Scouts of America.

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Elba City Schools welcome new DARE officer

by Katie Driggers

This year Elba City Schools has a new DARE officer, Officer Michael Adkinson.

Officer Adkinson graduated from New Brockton High School in 1993. He is married and has two sons, Christopher, 7, and Mason, 4.

Outside of work, he enjoys fishing.

Adkinson graduated from the South West Alabama Police Academy and has participated with numerous training classes over the years. He most recently attend the Alabama DARE Training Center in Huntsville for a two week intensive training course which certified him to teach the DARE curriculum.

Elba Elementary School elects SCA representatives



by Brittany Cooper

The first semester SCA Representatives for the following grades are include - Third Grade: Justin Pope, Hayes Spicer, Austin Johnson and Harley Sasser; Fourth Grade: Donta Rogers, Sage Kelley, Gunnar McCollough, and Aaliyah Horstead; Fifth Grade: Camery Matthews, Kewayne Gavin, Chastity Slenker, and Braun Robinson; Sixth Grade: Justin McLaughlin, and Jabari Cole. The officers are: President- Taylor Creel, Vice President - Donnell Horstead, Secretary - Bethany Wilson, and Treasurer - Kayla Parks

Girl Scout Troop #300: Not your typical scout organization

Girl Scout Troop #300 is made up of girls in grades 9th-12th. They meet at least once a week.

This is not your typical Girl Scout organization. These girls do not go camping, fishing, hiking, or hunting. Instead, they learn proper etiquette and participate in many community service activities.

Usually the scouts attend a Christmas dinner and host a spring tea. They also take part in the Christmas festival every year.

The 2003-04 officers for the troop are as follows: Meredith English - President, Anna Anderson - Vice president, Blake Brunson - Vice president, Mary Katherine Head - Vice President, Katie Driggers - Secretary, Hannah Martin - Treasurer

Girls invited to Camp Skyline party

Girls between the ages of 6 and 16 are invited to a party to learn more about Camp Skyline. Located in north Alabama atop Lookout Mountain, Skyline campers have been riding horses, canoeing, playing tennis, and learning archery and riflery for over 50 years. Camp Skyline offers these activities and many more.

A representative of Skyline will be in Enterprise on Sunday, September 28, 2003 at 1 p.m., at the home of Leigh and Georgia Cassidy, 200 Lakewood Drive, near Enterprise Country Club. It is a casual, come and go, fun

P.T.O. sponsoring fund raising event

by Mary Katherine Head

The Elba Elementary P.T.O. is sponsoring a fundraiser that will help the school in various ways, such as providing teachers with supplies.

The fundraiser began Wednesday, Sept. 10, and will run for two weeks.

Students at Elba Elementary have all been given a booklet containing an assortment of items, such as candy, Christmas wrapping paper, dips, and

cheese bread. If you wish to purchase an item you may get in touch with any elementary school student and place your order with them.

There will be prizes awarded to students for selling anywhere from \$6 to \$250. Those selling \$250 or more will be given a prize involving a limousine ride and pizza.

The P.T.O. would like to encourage everyone to participate in this fundraiser and help the school.

EHS students gather for See You at the Pole event

by Ayonna Procter

The annually held event, See You at the Pole, took place at Elba High School September 17, 2003.

See You at the Pole is a national day for prayer that has been going on for 10 years. It's held only on a Wednesday and in the middle of the month of September.

On the front lawn of the school around the flagpole at seven o'clock in the morning, Jamie Greek opened up with a short prayer. Judson Vaughn entertained the group with live singing, and shortly after Arrian Bowers read a scripture from the Bible's book of Isaiah 40:31. There were approximately 70 students in participation, and once the scripture was read they

all branched off into groups and began to pray. Their prayers were for various things, such as for their country, their school, their national and local leaders, and their family.

The See You at the Pole gathering was concluded once the last group was through praying. Everyone filled up on donuts and soda and had a wonderful time.

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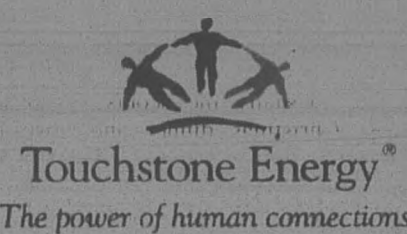
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Fast Fact
On September 27, 1906 a deadly Category 4 hurricane struck Mobile. According to the National Weather Service, the storm was one of the strongest hurricanes of the twentieth century. With winds gusting as high as 135 mph, it killed 134 people throughout Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida. See some of the damage at: <http://www.southalabama.edu/archives/html/gallery/postcards.htm>.



USS Maine, 1898. Photo by the Department of the Navy, Library of Congress.

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The Man Who Inspired the CIA

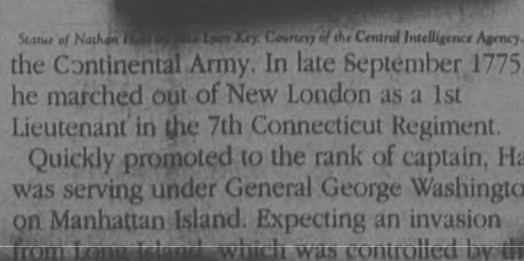
Following his graduation with first class honors from Yale College, young Nathan Hale spent a year teaching in East Haddam, Connecticut before accepting a position at Union School in New London.

Nathan was intelligent, athletic, handsome, and popular. As a twenty-year-old schoolmaster, he had a very bright future. Shortly after arriving in New London, he joined the local militia. The year was 1774.

The following April, the Revolutionary War began. Many of his fellow militia members marched off in support of the American Revolution, but Nathan remained in New London.

Three months later, he received a letter from his close friend, former classmate, and fellow teacher Benjamin Tallmadge. The letter included the following advice:

"Was I in your condition... I think the more extensive Service would be my choice. Our holy Religion, the honor of our God, a glorious country, & a happy constitution is what we have to defend. Inspired by Tallmadge, Nathan joined his position and joined his fellow classmates as a unit."



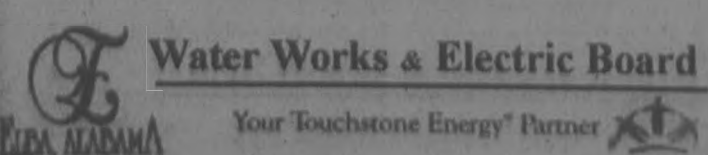
Portrait of Nathan Hale, 1774. Courtesy of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Nathan Hale Biography
Part of the Nathan Hale Homestead in Coventry Connecticut, this resource provides extensive details about Nathan's life and the circumstances surrounding his capture and execution. Web address: <http://ursamajor.hartnet.org/als/nathanhale/Chronology.htm>.

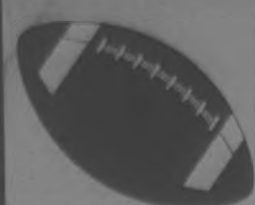
Spy Letters of the American Revolution
The Clements Library at the University of Michigan mounted this online exhibit. It tells numerous stories about espionage during the American Revolution through primary source documents. The contents include stories about the Culper Gang, Benedict Arnold, and others. Web Address: <http://www.sl.umich.edu/spies/>.

Intelligence in the War of Independence
Published by the Central Intelligence Agency, this online book discusses the various techniques used by eighteenth century American spies, with detailed stories of many Revolutionary War operations. Web Address: <http://www.odci.gov/cia/publications/warindep/fram.html>.

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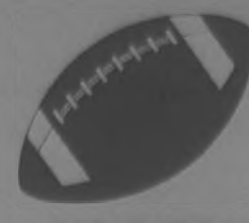


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cruise - alum wheels



2001 F150 LARIAT - super cab -
running board - trailer tow - sprayed in bedliner



2001 MUSTANG CONVERTABLE - leather
- low mileage



2001 F 150 SUPERCREW - Lariat - 4 wd
local trade - one owner



2001 FORD EXPEDITION (EDDIE BAUER)
- extra nice - loaded with leather



1999 TAHOE LT 4X2 - leather - very sharp
- great buy



2003 BUICK CENTURY - still has factory
warranty - AT-6 - like new



2001 EXPEDITION (EDDIE BAUER) - loaded
- one owner



2001 FORD F 350 - 4WD - diesel - automatic



2002 CHEVROLET EX CAB LS 4X2
- local trade - AT-8 - sharp truck



2000 FOCUS SE - pretty color - automatic



2002 F 350 CREW CAB XLT - Diesel - 4WD
- local trade-in - one owner - extra clean



2003 FORD EXPEDITION XLT - 9k miles
- local trade - like new



1998 CHEV SILVERADO - local trade - extra clean



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- 2003 BUICK CENTURY - Tan - AT-6 - Very clean - Must See
- 1999 PONTIAC GRAND AM - AT-6 - Sunroof - Loaded



- 2000 DODGE STRATUS - AT-4 - Local Trade
- 1999 DODGE DAKOTA - Reg Cab - AT-6 - Local Trade - Very Clean
- 1999 CHEVROLET LS - Ex Cab - 4 X 2 - Great Buy - AT-8
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